

Senate Resolution 297

By: Senators Tolleson of the 20th, Stoner of the 6th, Hooks of the 14th, Adelman of the 42nd, Henson of the 41st and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the Keep Georgia Beautiful program and its 76 local affiliates who serve
2 75 percent of the population of the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful, a program of the Georgia Department of Community
4 Affairs, was founded in 1978 as the first state affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, Inc.; and

5 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful builds and sustains community environmental activities
6 and behaviors for a more beautiful and environmentally aware Georgia; and

7 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful and its 76 local Keep America Beautiful affiliates
8 enhance the quality of life in Georgia by focusing on litter prevention, community
9 beautification and improvement, and reducing the impact of waste on communities; and

10 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful and local Keep America Beautiful affiliates conduct
11 educational and community improvement activities and programs that change behaviors and
12 attitudes toward the environment; and

13 WHEREAS, the success enjoyed by Keep Georgia Beautiful and its local programs is built
14 upon strong partnerships with government, private businesses, schools, and
15 citizen-volunteers at the grassroots level; and

16 WHEREAS, Keep Georgia Beautiful and its programs empower local people to take
17 responsibility for preserving and protecting Georgia's natural resources and environment.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
19 commemorate the Keep Georgia Beautiful program and its 76 local affiliates whose 400,000
20 volunteers amassed 2 million volunteer man-hours and donated \$27 million in benefits to
21 Georgia communities over time.

- 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
23 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the public and the press.